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I'M SORRY JOHNNY...  
BUT I'LL HAVE TO BREAK  
OUR DATE FOR TONIGHT.  
...SOMEONE JUST  
DROPPED IN.







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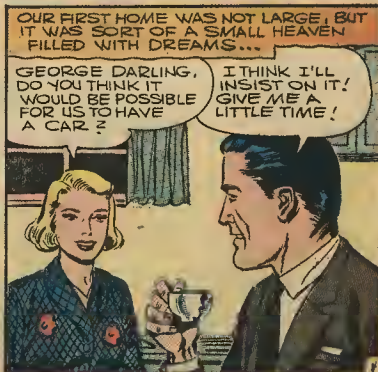
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WHEN I MARRIED GEORGE WILDER I KNEW THERE WAS NOTHING HE COULDN'T DO! SO I KEPT ON BELIEVING, DEMANDING, EXPECTING! THEN CAME...

## The Crash!

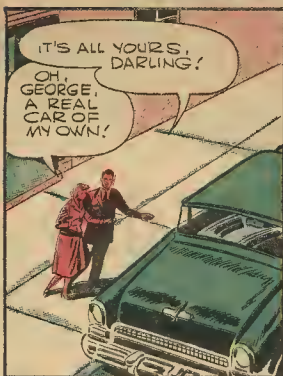


FROM THE MOMENT I MARRIED GEORGE WILDER, I KNEW-- JUST KNEW, THAT IT WOULD BE A WONDERFUL MARRIAGE! OUR HONEYMOON IN THE TROPICS WAS JUST A SAMPLE OF THINGS TO COME...



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A WEEK LATER, GEORGE TOOK ME TO THE FRONT OF THE APARTMENT HOUSE...



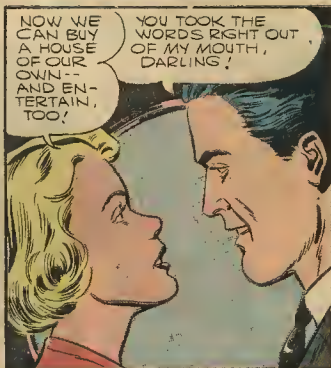
THE CAR WAS WONDERFUL! WE REALLY GOT AROUND AND SAW SO MANY MORE PEOPLE! THEN IT GAVE ME OTHER IDEAS...

GEORGE, DEAR--DID YOU KNOW THAT NORA AND BERT SMITH BELONG TO THE COUNTRY CLUB? DO YOU SUPPOSE THAT WE...

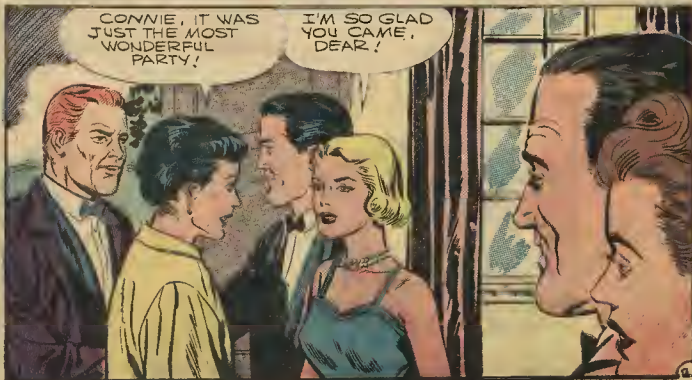
WE SURE CAN! I'LL SEE ABOUT IT TOMORROW, I'LL ASK BERT TO SPONSER US!



WELL, IT SEEMED THAT GOOD NEWS JUST HEAPED ITSELF UPON ME! FOR IT WAS ABOUT SIX MONTHS SINCE WE HAD JOINED THE COUNTRY CLUB, WHEN GEORGE CAME HOME ONE EVENING AND...

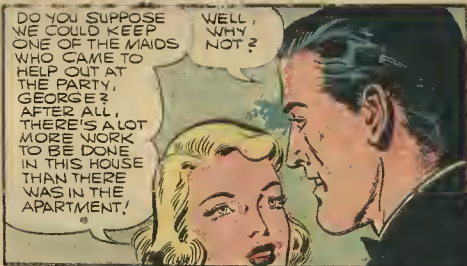
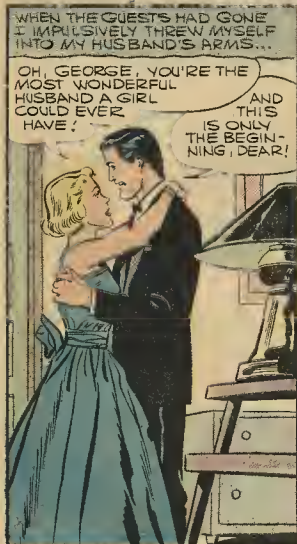


SO WE BOUGHT A HOUSE IN ONE OF THE NICEST PARTS OF TOWN AND BEGAN TO ENTERTAIN...

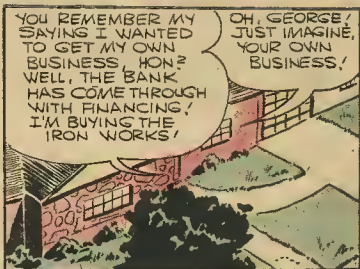




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IT WAS SOME SIX MONTHS LATER THAT GEORGE GAVE ME THE BEST NEWS OF ALL...



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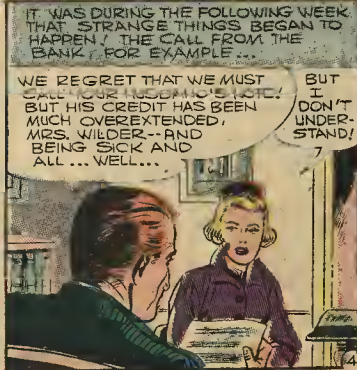
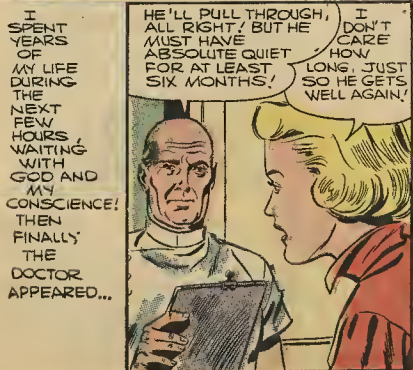
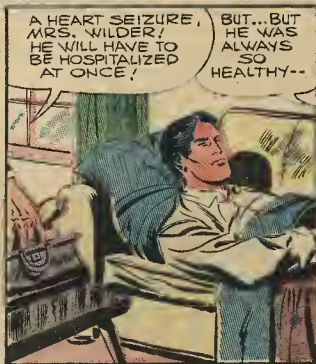
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I DON'T REMEMBER PHONING FOR THE DOCTOR, BUT I SUDDENLY REALIZED HE WAS THERE AND HE WAS SAYING...





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I CANNOT DESCRIBE IN WORDS THE TERRORS OF THE MONTHS THAT FOLLOWED! FIRST THE HOUSE WENT BACK TO THE BANK, AND THEN THE CAR...

I TOOK A CHEAP ROOM! THERE WAS NO MONEY! THE TELEPHONE BECAME A NIGHTMARE, FOR IT WAS ALWAYS SOME CREDITOR CALLING...



AND THE ONLY MAIL THAT EVER CAME WERE BILLS, HUNDREDS OF THEM...



AND SUDDENLY I GREW UP AND FACED THE TRUTH...

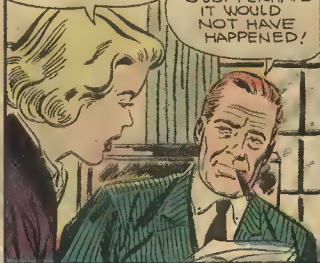
I DID THIS TO GEORGE! I DID IT!



A NEW ME EMERGED FROM IT ALL... A STRONGER ME... A FIGHTING ME, WHO FACED THE BANK, THE CREDITORS...

YES, I SAID YOU CAN'T THROW GEORGE OUT OF BUSINESS, I'LL RUN IT UNTIL HE IS ABLE!

WHY DID I NOT MEET YOU BEFORE MR. WILDER'S ILLNESS? PERHAPS... JUST PERHAPS IT WOULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED!



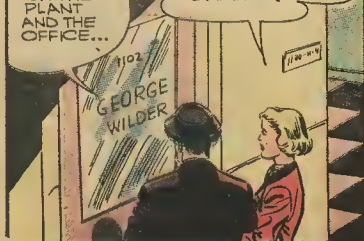
I KNEW NOTHING ABOUT GEORGE'S BUSINESS, BUT I CONVINCED THE BANK AND THE CREDITORS THAT I COULD LEARN, AND I DID LEARN-- THE BUSINESS AND MUCH MORE BESIDES...



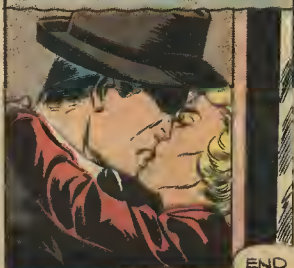
THEN THE DAY CAME WHEN GEORGE HAD RECOVERED ENOUGH TO COME HOME! THAT VERY DAY I TOOK HIM TO HIS OFFICE...

I DON'T UNDERSTAND, CONNIE! THEY STILL HAVE MY NAME ON THE PLANT AND THE OFFICE...

OUR NAME, GEORGE! YOURS AND MINE! BECAUSE NOW, DEAR, I SHARE EVERYTHING... THE LOSSES AS WELL AS THE SUCCESS, I'VE LEARNED TO GIVE AS WELL AS RECEIVE, DARLING!



GEORGE TOOK ME INTO HIS ARMS AND HIS UPS TREMBLED, YET NO MORE THAN DID MINE! IT WAS THE BEGINNING OF A NEW LIFE AND A NEW VIBRANT BEAUTIFUL LOVE, SO MUCH MORE THAN IT ONCE HAD BEEN!

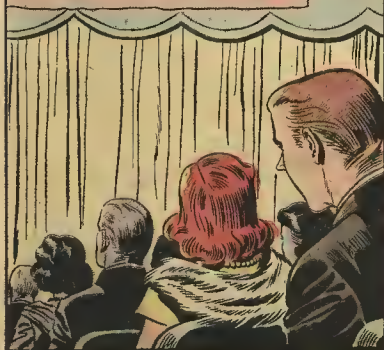


# The Real Thing

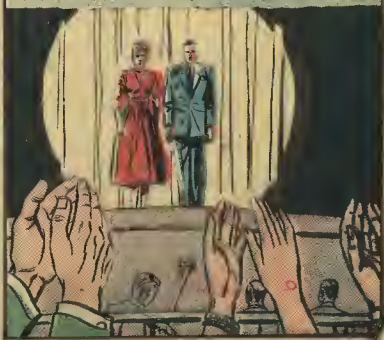
OH, LARRY -- IF ONLY  
I COULD STAY IN YOUR  
ARMS FOREVER!  
IF ONLY THIS WERE  
THE REAL THING!

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BUT THEN THE CURTAIN FELL ...



AND THE APPLAUSE, SWELLING INTO  
THUNDER, SHATTERED MY BITTER REVERIE ..

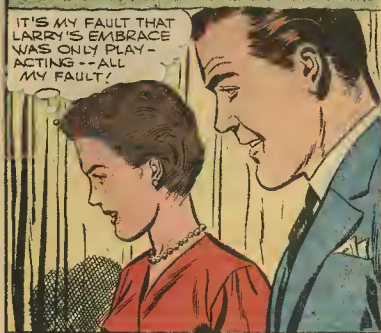




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I WAS SMILING AS I TOOK MY BOWS--BUT DEEP INSIDE, MY HEART WAS BREAKING...

IT'S MY FAULT THAT LARRY'S EMBRACE WAS ONLY PLAY-ACTING--ALL MY FAULT!



SLICK PERFORMANCE, TONIGHT, MAYA! SO LONG SEE YOU AT TOMORROW'S MATINEE!



I WAS IN MY DRESSING ROOM NOW! THERE WAS A STAR ON THE DOOR, AND I SHOULD HAVE BEEN HAPPY--BUT HOW CAN A GIRL BE HAPPY WHEN SHE KNOWS THAT SHE'S DOOMED HERSELF TO LONELINESS?

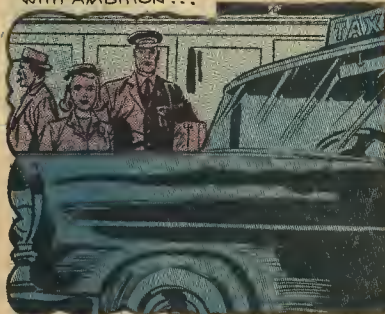


IT DIDN'T HAVE TO BE THIS WAY!

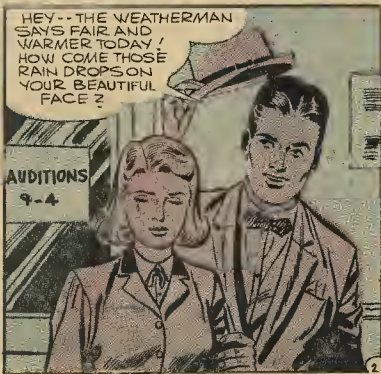
I COULD HAVE HAD THE REAL THING INSTEAD OF JUST TINSEL LOVE DREAMED UP BY PLAYWRIGHTS IN ONE HIT AFTER ANOTHER ...



..." IF ONLY I'D LISTENED TO MY HEART WHEN I FIRST CAME TO NEW YORK? BUT I WAS SO YOUNG--SO AFLAME WITH AMBITION ...



HEY--THE WEATHERMAN SAYS FAIR AND WARMER TODAY! HOW COME THOSE RAIN DROPS ON YOUR BEAUTIFUL FACE?



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I COULD PLAY THAT PART  
A HUNDRED TIMES BETTER  
THAN THAT SCARECROW  
THE PRODUCER PICKED!



RELAX, HONEY! YOU HAVE A MILLION  
JUICY ROLES AHEAD OF YOU! THIS IS  
YOUR LUCKY DAY, AFTER ALL--BE-  
CAUSE I WAS TURNED DOWN  
TOO--AND THAT  
LEAVES ME FREE  
TO TEACH YOU  
TO SMILE...



I  
LET  
HIM  
TAKE  
ME TO  
LUNCH...  
AND  
BEFORE  
I  
KNEW  
IT,  
I  
WAS  
SMILING  
AGAIN...

LARRY--  
YOU'RE  
SWEET!

SHH--DON'T TELL  
A SOUL, BUT YOU  
BRING OUT THE  
SWEETNESS  
IN ME!



AFTER THAT, LARRY WAS ALWAYS  
AROUND TO SEE THAT THE SMILE  
NEVER FADED...



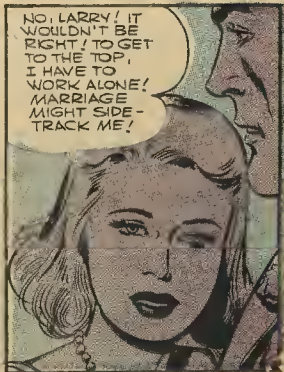
AND THEN...

I WANT YOU TO  
MARRY ME, MAYA!  
WE'LL LICK THE  
THEATRE TO-  
GETHER!



MY  
HEART  
BEGGED  
ME  
TO  
SAY  
YES!  
BUT  
I  
WAS  
SO  
YOUNG--  
SO  
AFLAME  
WITH  
AMBITION...

NO, LARRY! IT  
WOULDN'T BE  
RIGHT! TO GET  
TO THE TOP,  
I HAVE TO  
WORK ALONE!  
MARRIAGE  
MIGHT SIDE-  
TRACK ME!





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LARRY WAS PERSISTENT! HE KEPT ASKING -- AND FINALLY...

PLEASE, LET'S STOP SEEING EACH OTHER! I'LL NEVER BE HAPPY UNLESS I'M A STAR! THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO DEVOTE MY WHOLE SELF TO...

OKAY, MAYA -- IF THAT'S HOW YOU WANT IT! SO LONG, BE SEEING YOU UP IN LIGHTS SOME DAY!

IN THE YEARS THAT FOLLOWED, WE MET MANY TIMES! IT WAS ONLY NATURAL -- WE WERE BOTH SO ACTIVE IN THE THEATRE! BUT THEY WERE CASUAL MEETINGS, FILLED ONLY WITH SHOP-TALK...

GLAD TO SEE YOU'RE GETTING GOOD REVIEWS, MAYA!

THANKS, LARRY! I'VE BEEN READING A LOT ABOUT YOU, TOO!

AND SO WE BOTH CLIMBED THE LADDER TO SUCCESS -- AND THEN BY A STRANGE QUIRK OF FATE...

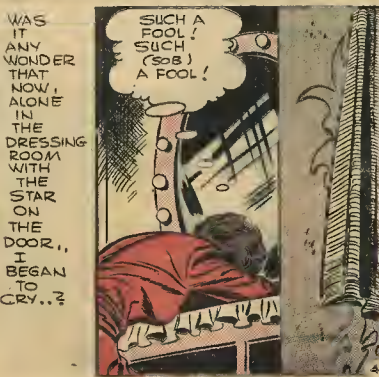
YOU KNOW LARRY, DON'T YOU, MAYA? HE'LL BE YOUR CO-STAR IN THIS SHOW!

THE PLAY WAS A HIT! NIGHT AFTER NIGHT I FOUND MYSELF IN THE ARMS OF THE MAN I'D BEEN SUCH A FOOL TO SEND AWAY! FOR NOW I KNEW...

I LOVE YOU, LARRY -- BUT IT'S TOO LATE! FOR YOU, THIS IS ONLY PLAY-ACTING -- NOT THE REAL THING!

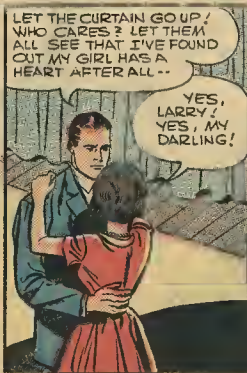
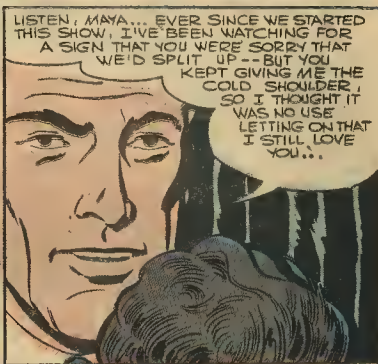
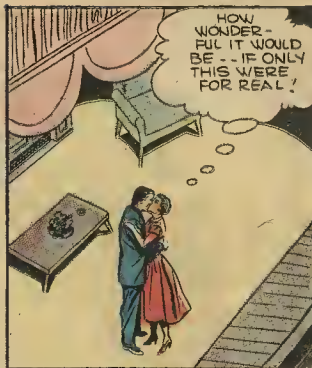
WAS IT ANY WONDER THAT NOW, ALONE IN THE DRESSING ROOM WITH THE STAR ON THE DOOR, I BEGAN TO CRY...?

SUCH A FOOL! SUCH A FOOL! (SOB)



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THIS WAS THE NEXT PERFORMANCE NOW THE LAST MINUTE OF THE PLAY-- AND LARRY WAS SWEEPING ME INTO HIS ARMS AGAIN...



END



## ROMANTIC SECRETS

# MEMORY!

**W**HY SITS SHE THUS IN SOLITUDE? HER HEART SEEMS MELTING IN HER EYES' DELICIOUS BLUE; AND AS IT HEAVES, HER RIPE LIPS LIE APART, AS IF TO LET ITS HEAVY THROBBINGS THROUGH.



**J**OYS OPENING BUDS, AFFECTIONS GLOWING FLOWERS, ONCE LIGHTLY SPRANG WITHIN HER BEAMING TRACK; O, LIFE WAS BEAUTIFUL IN THOSE LOST HOURS, AND YET SHE DOES NOT WISH TO WANDER BACK!



**N**O! SHE BUT LOVES IN LONELINESS TO THINK ON PLEASURES PAST, THOUGH NEVERMORE TO BE; HOPE LINKS HER TO THE FUTURE, BUT THE LINK THAT BINDS HER TO THE PAST IS MEMORY.

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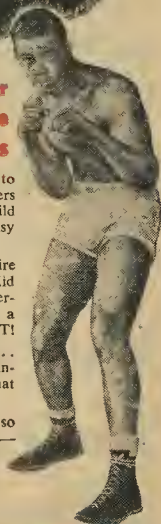
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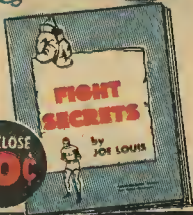


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John Merton, owner of the Merton Auto Teaching School, was doing his best not to lose his temper. The young lady standing before him on the other side of the counter was young and attractive. A smile would have made her beautiful but now there was a scowl on her face.

"Believe me, Miss Anderson," said John Merton, "in the quarter of a century that I have been conducting this auto teaching school, I never had a complaint that couldn't be adjusted satisfactorily. If you don't like Mr. Perry then I will arrange to have another instructor for you. But then you will have to wait until next Tuesday. The entire schedule for the week is completed. You wouldn't want me to tell another person that the car isn't available because you come first?"

"Is that a question or a statement?" challenged Dona Anderson. "I should get a driving lesson now. Right now. I told you yesterday I will not go in a car with that Mr. Perry. He has absolutely no patience when you start to ask him questions. It is the duty of a teacher to listen and to explain. Otherwise what am I getting for my money?"

"Anything wrong, dad?" interrupted a friendly voice. John Merton shook his head in the affirmative. Dona Anderson turned around to observe a young man, tall and slim, who had somehow silently entered the store that served as headquarters for the auto teaching school.

"Maybe you can make a miracle for me, Frank," replied the elder Merton. "The young lady wants a lesson right now. She won't go in the car with Mr. Perry. What am I going to do?"

"I'll give her a lesson myself. Isn't it the duty of a good son to help his father out in a time of need. Let me see her schedule."

John Merton was about to say something. He opened his mouth and then closed it without a word passing his lips. He handed his son a

sheet. The young man gave it a quick glance.

"You are due for a lesson on a highway. Straight driving. That means you are capable of handling the wheel by yourself. We can use the big sedan. That's the car that doubles for service in the mountain resorts when spring comes. We'll go up Central Avenue until we hit route 22. Then you can take the wheel. By the way what is your name?"

"Dona Anderson," informed the impatient young lady who was glancing at the big electric clock above the counter. "And remember, my time starts when the car gets out of the city. Don't try to cheat me out of a half-hour driving time."

"How could you?" protested Frank Merton in mock seriousness. "The reputation of my father's school could not stand the slightest blemish. Just for that you will get an extra hour without any additional charge being made. As they say, it is on the house."

Frank Merton drove slowly along Central Avenue. He found it a bit difficult to keep his eyes on traffic and on the young lady at his side.

"If you aren't careful, we might have an accident," chided Dona Anderson. "Something seems to be distracting you while you drive. What is it?"

"You" was the one word reply. And for the moment it sufficed to keep the young lady from replying. At the point where Central Avenue meets route 22, Frank Merton pulled the car to the side of the road and stopped.

"You take the wheel now," he told her. "Just keep on driving until you want to take a break."

For the next hour and a half the young lady drove carefully along the highway. In the summertime it was a crowded highway. But now the trees were bare and winter was sending a sample chilly spell. The car stopped outside a diner.

"A cup of coffee and some hamburgers?" suggested Dona Anderson. "The treat is on me."

There were several booths in the diner and the two sat down. Soon they were drinking worm coffee.

"Where did you get the name of Dona?" asked Frank. "A touch of Spanish?"

"My father came from Sweden and my mother from Belgium. Dad wanted a boy and was ready with the name of Donald. When I came, mother suggested the name Dona. Maybe some day I'll go to Spain."

The counter girl handed Frank the check and over Dona Anderson's protests he paid for it. They drove for another half-hour.

"Soon you will have to turn back," reminded Frank. "You drive very well. The previous instructors must have done a good job. All I have had to do is sit at your side. And that wasn't a bit unpleasant."

When they came to Howland Junction, Frank signalled to Dona to stop.

"Look at that car wrapped around the telephone pole. There's a police car that just arrived. Let's see if we can be of any assistance."

The young man spoke to one of the police officers and soon they were forcing the door of the smashed car open. An unconscious man was taken from the driver's seat. Frank examined the man quickly.

"He'll be dead unless an emergency operation is performed at once. You have to get him to a hospital. The nearest one is at Bloomfield and that's forty miles away."

"So you are also a doctor," commented Dona Anderson.

"Yes," was the unexpected reply. "By the time an ambulance gets here it will be too late. We have to drive like the blazes. I could handle the wheel but my duty is to take care of this man."

"I'll get you there," was the suggestion made by the young lady. "I can drive racing cars. My father is Burt Anderson the famous speed driver. I was doing a series of articles on auto driving schools and seeing how efficient they are. You take care of your patient. Let the police car either go ahead or radio to other cars to clear the road for us and let us burn up the gas."

phone and contacted headquarters. The message went out to every police patrol car in the county. Then the race to the hospital began! Dr. Frank Merton sat in the back of the car with the unconscious man. And Dona seemed to burn up the road as the car almost flew along the highway. The police car did its best to stay ahead, but when Sergeant Macready pushed the patrol car to the limit, he commented to his buddy, Officer Joe Varino.

"Can you imagine that gal with a getaway car after a bank job? Brother, she could outpace anyone."

The car drove up to the hospital and they were ready, having been notified by radio of the situation. The unconscious man was examined and then rushed to the operating room. Dr. Frank Merton and Dona Anderson sat in the lounge side by side. They didn't speak a word but somehow their hands met and then clasped. Sergeant Macready paced up and down the long corridor. Protruding from his pocket could be seen the accident form he had filled out. Once when he reached the end of the corridor he turned and glanced for a moment at the two. Her head was now on the young man's shoulder. The door of the operating room opened and Dr. William J. Limer, the head surgeon came out. He spotted the officer and spoke to him.

"Another ten minutes and it would have been too late to operate. The patient will recover. This is something I will never forget. I must speak to Dr. Merton. His diagnosis was perfect. Wonder if he would care to join our staff. And that young lady certainly deserves a lot of thanks. This was a time when speed driving was essential. I want to meet her."

Dr. Limer and the officer walked to the other end of the corridor which connected to the waiting room where the two young people were seated. Sergeant Macready stopped.

"Look there, doc! They're kissing each other!"

"That's the natural thing to do when two people are in love," explained Dr. Limer.

"But she ain't a nurse," objected the police officer. "In the movies the doc falls in love with a pretty nurse. She's pretty but not a nurse."

"So when he opens his own hospital then he will have the best female ambulance driver in the country," snapped back Dr. Limer. "Come into my office and we'll finish that accident report you must make."

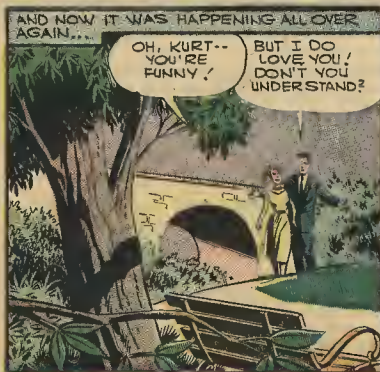
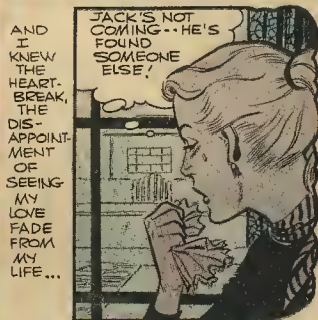
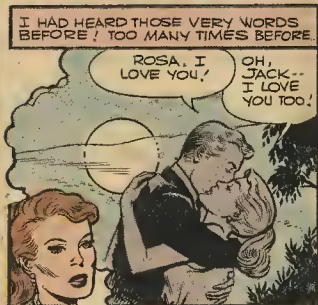
Sergeant Bill Macready got on the radio

The End



# ROMANTIC SECRETS

# Love Can Hurt You



# ROMANTIC SECRETS





# ROMANTIC SECRETS

BUT THAT NIGHT I DID NOT SLEEP WELL...

OH, WHY DO I STILL KEEP THINKING OF KURT? HE'S GONE! HE'S OUT OF MY LIFE FOREVER!



AND WHY DID THOSE TORMENTING MEMORIES STILL RETURN TO ME...



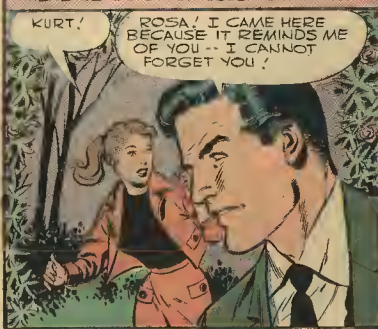
AND WHEN HE DID NOT RETURN AGAIN I WANTED TO BE FREE OF HIM, BUT I COULD NOT! AND ONE DAY, AS I WALKED IN THE PARK IT WAS AS IF HE WERE BESIDE ME...



AND THAT DAY I WALKED TO THE BOWER WHERE WE SO OFTEN USED TO MEET...

KURT!

ROSA! I CAME HERE BECAUSE IT REMINDS ME OF YOU -- I CANNOT FORGET YOU!

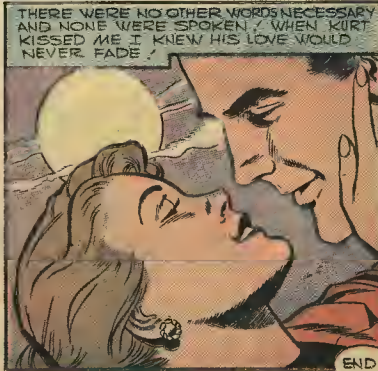


OH, KURT! THEN YOU REALLY DO LOVE ME!

ROSA! DARLING! YOU MEAN...



THERE WERE NO OTHER WORDS NECESSARY AND NONE WERE SPOKEN! WHEN KURT KISSED ME I KNEW HIS LOVE WOULD NEVER FADE!



END

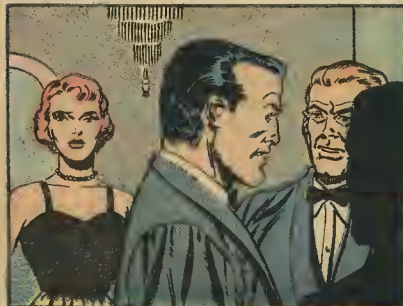
# ROMANTIC SECRETS

## IT WAS NOT LOVE

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RAY FARNHAM WAS A CASUAL ACQUAINTANCE, WHOM I'D MET SOCIALLY, BUT I WONDERED HOW I'D APPROACH HIM WITHOUT BEING TOO AGGRESSIVE...

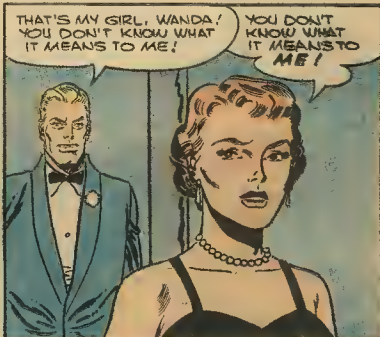


CHARLEY, I DON'T CARE IF RAY FARNHAM IS AN OLD FRIEND! I SIMPLY CAN'T DO AS YOU ASK! I CAME TO THIS BALL WITH YOU!

HUSH, WILL YOU? LISTEN, HONEY, BE REASONABLE!



MAYBE I COULD HELP CHARLEY...



SUDDENLY, FATE STEPPED IN! I TURNED MY ANKLE...



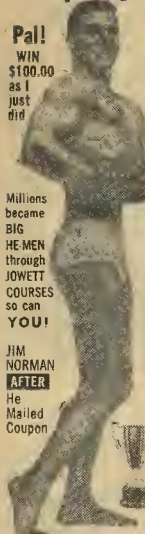


Stop being a **SKINNY** Weakling like I was →

**Pal!**  
WIN  
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as I  
just  
did

Millions  
became  
BIG  
HE-MEN  
through  
JOWETT  
COURSES  
so can  
**YOU!**

JIM  
NORMAN  
**AFTER**  
He  
Mailed  
Coupon



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Come on PAL, Now YOU give me  
**10 PLEASANT MINUTES A DAY**  
In Your Own Home Like Jim did  
and I'll give you a **NEW HE-MAN BODY**  
for your **OLD SKELETON FRAME**



**NO!** I don't care how skinny  
or flabby you are I'll  
make you **OVER** by the **SAME**  
method I turned myself from  
a wreck to the strongest of  
the strong. Why can't I do for you what  
I did for **MANY THOUSANDS** of skinny  
fellows like you?

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gain Pounds, **INCHES FAST!**

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and **CHEST**. Your **BACK** and  
**SHOULDER**s broadened. From  
head to heels you'll gain **SIZE**,  
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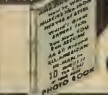
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OF COURSE, CHARLEY HAD BEEN WATCHING,  
SO WHEN I RETURNED TO HIM...

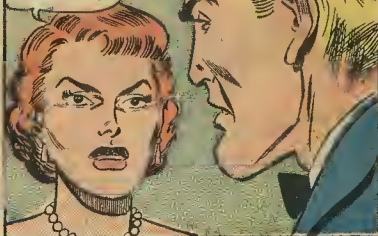
YOU MEAN TO SAY YOU GOT COLD  
FEET AFTER SUCH A SWELL  
APPROACH?



I TELL  
YOU IT  
WASN'T AN  
APPROACH, I  
REALLY TRIPPED!  
AND I WON'T GO  
FISHING FOR YOU!

YOU DON'T LOVE ME,  
CHARLEY BOWMAN!  
YOU WANT ME ONLY  
FOR DECORATION!  
ONLY FOR THE  
CONTACTS MY  
SOCIAL STAND-  
ING CAN  
GIVE YOU!

HOW CAN YOU  
SAY THAT?  
YOU'RE MY  
GIRL!!!



LET'S GO!  
IT'S LATE!

WAIT FOR ME,  
CHARLEY! I'LL BE  
RIGHT THERE!!!



I STARTED AFTER CHARLEY, WHEN ...

OH, RAY! I SEEM TO  
BE RUNNING INTO  
YOU WHEREVER  
I GO! I'M  
SORRY!

I COULDN'T HELP  
OVERHEARING YOU,  
WANDA! PLEASE  
LET ME TAKE  
YOU HOME!



I RE-  
TURNED  
CHARLEY  
BOWMAN'S  
RING! HE  
TRIED  
MANY  
TIMES  
TO PHONE  
ME AFTER  
THAT BUT  
I WAS  
NEVER  
AVAILABLE!  
THERE  
WAS A  
REASON--  
IN FACT,  
HE'S  
AT THE  
DOOR  
NOW...

HELLO,  
DARLING!

OH,  
RAY!



YOU SEE, RAY FARNHAM COMES TO CALL  
ON ME EVERY DAY NOW! BUT IT HAS NO-  
THING TO DO WITH CHARLEY BOWMAN  
AND HIS CONTACTS! RAY AND I ARE  
VERY MUCH IN LOVE! WE ARE GOING TO  
BE MARRIED SOON!

END



# Wedding Day

**W**HAT DOES A GIRL THINK ABOUT ON HER WEDDING DAY? WHAT ARE THE THOUGHTS THAT RACE THROUGH HER TREMBLING MIND...?

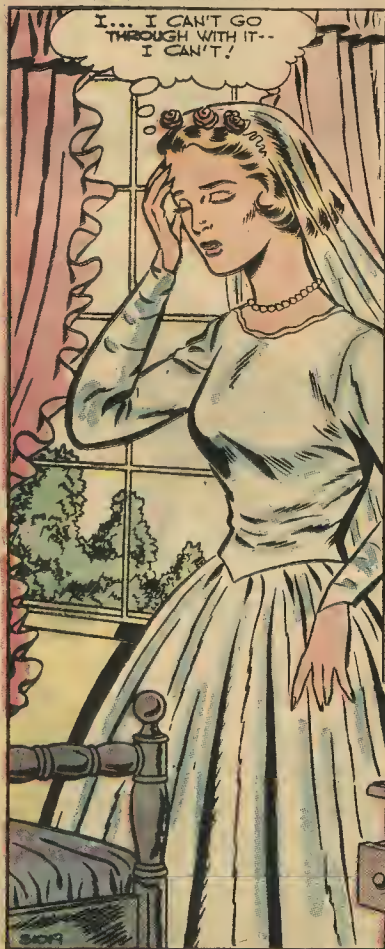
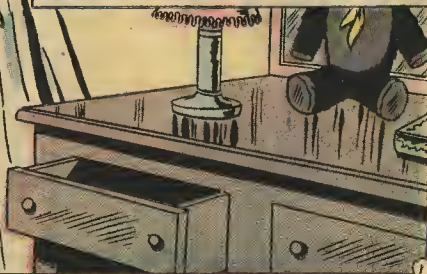
I... I CAN'T GO THROUGH WITH IT--  
I CAN'T!

THIS IS MY ROOM! I'VE LIVED HERE ALL MY LIFE! IT'S WATCHED ME ALL THROUGH THE YEARS! THIS IS THE TEDDY BEAR I SLEPT WITH WHEN I WAS A BABY!

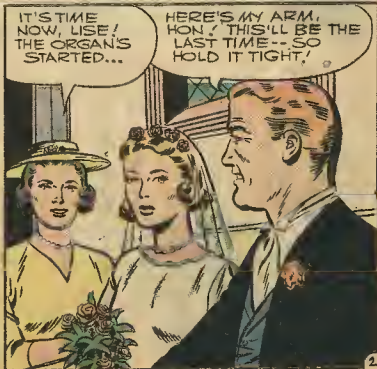
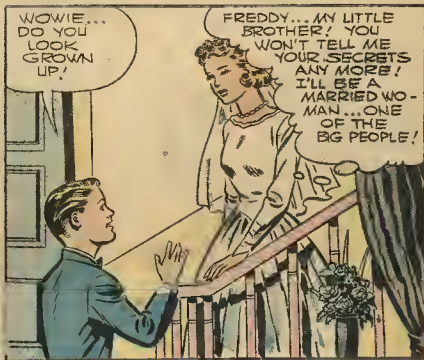
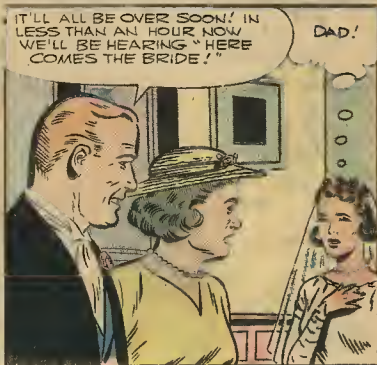
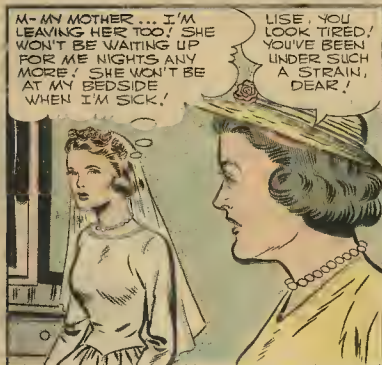


THE CLOSETS ARE BARE NOW! THE BUREAU DRAWERS ARE EMPTY! EVERYTHING'S PACKED! I'M TAKING EVERYTHING AWAY THAT BELONGS IN THIS ROOM!

LISE, DEAR--  
ARE YOU READY?

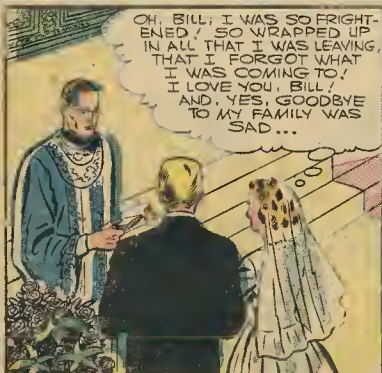
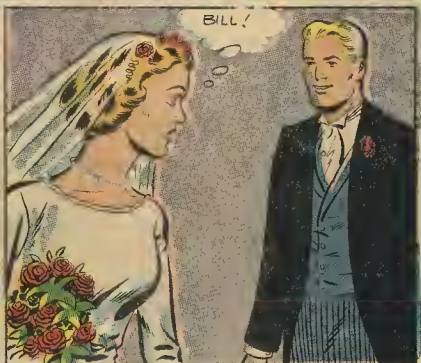


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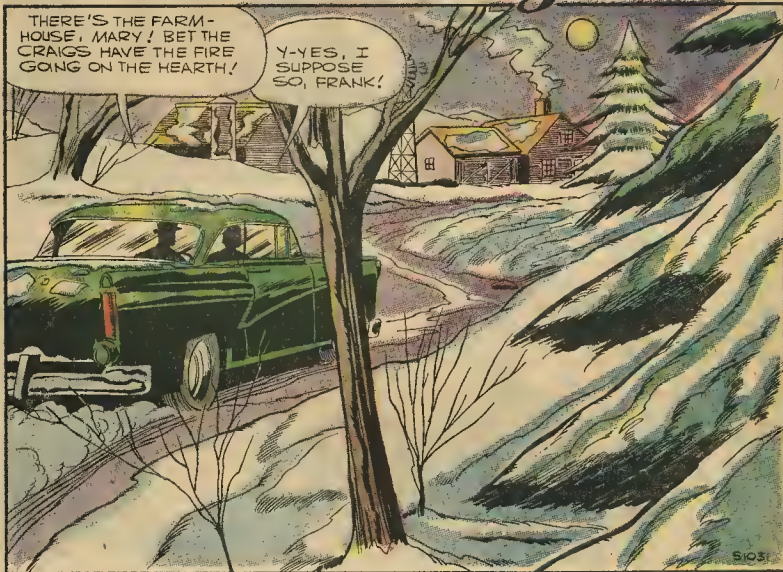
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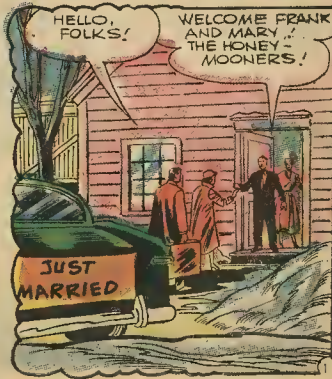
## ROMANTIC SECRETS

FOR THREE YEARS OF HER MARRIAGE MARY HAD CARRIED THE MEMORY OF THAT LAST NIGHT AT THE FARM, THE NIGHT THAT HAD SHATTERED HER BRIDE'S DREAMS! NOW FRANK WAS TAKING HER BACK FOR A ...

# Second Honeymoon

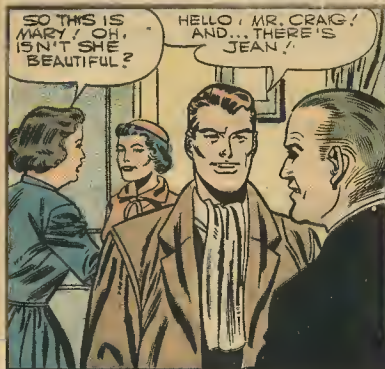


I WAS REMEMBERING APPREHENSIVELY, PERHAPS BITTERLY, A TIME ONLY THREE YEARS AGO, WHEN FRANK AND I HAD JUST STARTED OUR HONEY-MOON, ARRIVING AT THE CRAIG FARM-HOUSE...





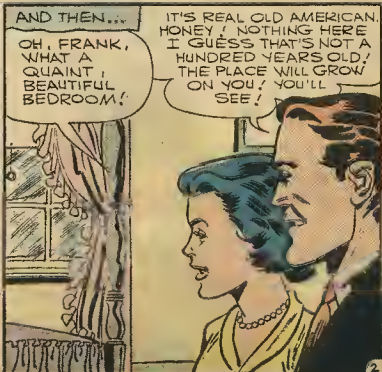
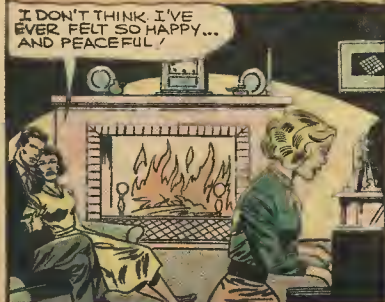
# ROMANTIC SECRETS



SUPPER WAS WAITING FOR US AND I COULD FEEL THE WARM FRIENDLINESS OF THE PLACE STEALING OVER ME! I KNEW WHY FRANK HAD SPOKEN IN GLOWING TERMS OF HIS HOME COUNTRY SIDE, ESPECIALLY OF THE CRAIGS WHO HAD BEEN HIS NEIGHBORS...



AFTER SUPPER WE WENT TO THE PARLOR WHERE A WARM FIRE BURNED BRIGHTLY. JEAN PLAYED SIMPLE OLD HYMNS AND FAVORITE TUNES ON A SMALL ORGAN...



# ROMANTIC SECRETS

I WAS SO VERY HAPPY !  
TO BE MARRIED TO FRANK  
AND LIVE IN SUCH A LOVELY  
OLD PLACE FOR TWO WHOLE  
WEEKS...



OF COURSE FRANK WAS AN  
EXPERT ON SKIIS THAT'S  
WHY I HAD TAKEN LESSONS  
BEFORE OUR MARRIAGE !  
BUT I WAS AN INFANT ON  
THEM COMPARED TO FRANK  
AND JEAN...

REMEMBER HOW  
WE USED TO DO  
THIS HILL IN NO-  
THING FLAT,  
FRANK ?

I'LL  
NEVER  
FOR-  
GET  
IT!

GUESS I'M  
LIKE AN  
EXTRA  
ARM  
HERE!



FRANK WAS LIKE A FIRE-  
GER ! HE SEEMED TO FOR-  
GET EVERYTHING BUT THE  
THRILL OF BEING ON SKIS  
AGAIN... AND JEAN WAS  
LIKE HIS SHADOW...

COMING,  
JEAN ?

I'LL BEAT YOU  
DOWN THE  
HILL !



I WATCHED THEM, MARVELING  
AT THEIR SKILL AND GRACE...



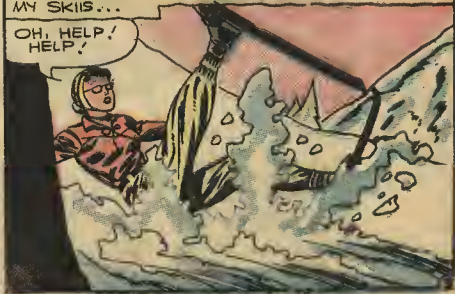
MY  
LESSONS  
HAD  
NOT  
INCLUDED  
MOUNTAIN  
SKIING !  
I  
STARTED  
DOWN,  
SUDDENLY  
EARNING  
I HAD  
NO  
BUSINESS  
THERE...



OHMM !  
EEEE !

BUT I COULDN'T STOP, AND I COULD NOT CONTROL  
MY SKIS...

OH, HELP !  
HELP !





# ROMANTIC SECRETS

OF COURSE BOTH FRANK AND JEAN-- ESPECIALLY FRANK! BLAMED THEMSELVES FOR MY DIFFICULTY! AND IN THE FOLLOWING DAYS, THEY DID ALL POSSIBLE TO MAKE UP FOR THEIR FORGETFULNESS...

THE CRAIGS HELD SEVERAL PARTIES IN THEIR LOVELY OLD HOUSE-- REAL HOMEY ONES...



TWICE JEAN TOOK US TO SQUARE-DANCES...



AND ON SUNDAYS, WE ATTENDED THE OLD TOWN CHURCH, BEAUTIFUL IN SETTING AND SPIRIT...



AND ALL TOO SOON CAME OUR LAST NIGHT AT THE FARM. WE WERE BEFORE THE HUGE FIRE, FEELING THAT SORROW OF THE END OF A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE...

MOTHER, SUPPOSE WE GO ON TO BED! WE WANT TO GET THINGS READY FOR MARY AND FRANK, A GOOD BREAKFAST, A GOOD START!

I THINK I'LL PUT A FEW OF MY THINGS IN THE CAR!



FRANK, OF COURSE, OFFERED TO TAKE THE BAG FOR ME-- BUT IT WAS SUCH A SHORT TRIP TO THE GARAGE, I INSISTED ON GOING ALONE...

THERE... THAT'S PART OF THE PACKING DONE!



I WALKED GAULY BACK TOWARD THE DOOR, WHEN, SUDDENLY I STOPPED SHORT, UNWILLING TO BELIEVE MY EYES...



OHhhh! NO!

I WENT STRAIGHT TO THE BEDROOM! LATER, WHEN FRANK CAME IN, I FEIGNED SLEEP! BUT I DID NOT SLEEP, NOT THE WHOLE NIGHT THROUGH...

IT--IT'S NOTHING! HE... THEY... DON'T REALLY MEAN IT! I'M... JUST BEING FOOLISH!



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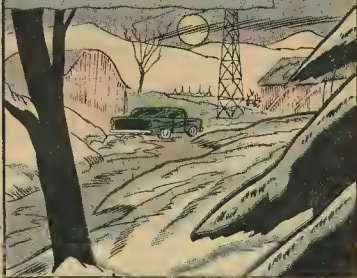
PERHAPS IT WAS PRIDE...  
PERHAPS FEAR,  
THAT CAUSED ME NOT EVER TO MENTION THE INCIDENT TO FRANK! IN THE THREE FOLLOWING YEARS, MY HUSBAND WAS KIND, DEVOTED AND SUCCESSFUL! THEN, LESS THAN A WEEK AGO...



DARLING, I THINK WE'LL HAVE ANOTHER HONEYMOON! HOW ABOUT TAKING A TRIP TO VISIT THE CRAIGS?

OH...

I COULD NOT REFUSE WITHOUT TELLING WHY... AND WHAT I HAD HELD INSIDE ME FOR THREE YEARS. I COULD NOT BRING MYSELF TO SPEAK OF IT, BUT NOW, AS WE ARRIVED, I INNARDY CALLED MYSELF A FOOL...



AND THEN, SEEING THEM WAITING, SEEING THE JOY IN JEAN CRAIG'S FACE, MY HEART FROZE...



GREETINGS, FRANK AND MARY!

THEN I STARTED FOR THE HOUSE, AND...

THE... THE SHADOW OF FRANK... AND J... BUT IT CAN'T BE! JEAN AND FRANK ARE OUT HERE!



AND THEN I SAW IT ALL... AND A GREAT FEELING OF BOTH RELIEF AND SHAME SWEEP OVER ME...



WHAT I REALLY SAW WAS THE SHADOW OF THAT STATUE, CAST BY THE FIRE AND THROWN AGAINST THE SHADE!

FRANK PUT HIS ARM ABOUT ME AND I SMILED AS HE SAID...

HEY, THIS IS NO TIME FOR TEARS!

THEY ARE TEARS OF HAPPINESS, DARLING! BECAUSE I KNOW THIS HONEYMOON WILL BE EVEN HAPPIER THAN THE FIRST!



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